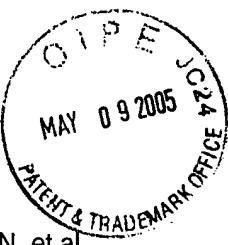


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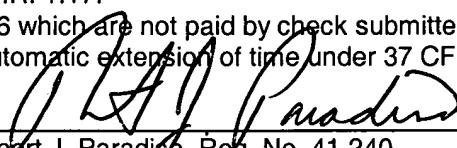
Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.  
 Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.  
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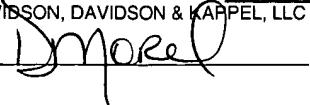
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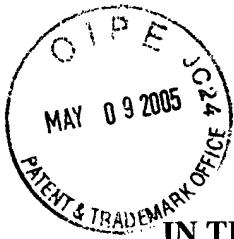
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 15 of this paper.